

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1 to 3 (cancelled)

Claim 4 (currently amended)

~~Use according to~~ The method of claim [4] 11, comprising 3.5 to 1% of ginkgo biloba A, B, C and J, 40 to 60% of flavoneglycosides, and 5 to 7% of bilobalide
~~characterized in that~~ wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract contains at least 5% of ginkgolides.

Claim 5 (currently amended)

~~Use according to~~ The method of claim 4, characterized in that wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract contains at least 50% of ginkgolides.

Claim 6 (currently amended)

~~Use of a compound of general formula (I)~~ The method of claim 11 wherein the
extract contains a compound of the formula

in which W, X, Y and Z independently represent the H, OH, linear or branched alkoxy alkoxy or O-G_s radicals, $\text{G}_s\text{-OH}$ representing a mono- or a disaccharide, or one of their derivatives or analogues,

it being understood that at least one W, X, Y or Z ~~represents an O-G_s radical~~ is a mono- or disaccharide,

~~for preparing a medicament intended to ease the withdrawal of individuals independent on the consumption of a substance engendering dependency and/or addiction, such as in particular alcohol, amphetamines, tobacco, drugs inducing toxicomania.~~

Claim 7 (currently amended)

~~Use according to~~ The method of claim 6, characterized in that wherein:

~~-either W represents is OH an or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents is H;~~

~~-or W represents an is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents an is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide, and Z represents is H;~~

~~-or W represents an is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide, Y represents an is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide, and Z represents is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono-or disaccharide,~~

~~-or W represents an~~ is OH or O-G_s radical, a mono- or disaccharide, Y ~~represents~~
is H and Z represents an is OH or a mono- or disaccharide O-G_s radical,

~~-or W represents~~ is H, Y ~~represents~~ is OH or a mono- or disaccharide O-G_s radical
and Z ~~represents an~~ is OH or a mono- or disaccharide O-G_s radical;

~~-or W represents an~~ is OH or O-G_s radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y ~~represents~~
is a linear or branched alkoxy radical and Z represents is H;
it being understood that at least one of W, X, Y or Z ~~represents an O-G_s radical~~ is a
mono- or disaccharide.

Claim 8 (currently amended)

~~Use according to~~ The method of claim 6 or 7, characterized in that wherein:

~~-either W represents an~~ is OH or O-G_s radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y
~~represents~~ is H and Z represents is H;

~~-or W represents~~ is OH or O-G_s radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y ~~represents an~~
is OH or O-G_s radical a mono- or disaccharide, and Z ~~represents~~ is H;

~~-or W represents an~~ is OH or O-G_s radical a mono- or disaccharide, Y ~~represents~~
is a linear or branched alkoxy radical and Z represents is H;
it being understood that atleast one of W, X, Y or Z ~~represents an O-G_s radical~~ a mono-
or disaccharide.

Claim 9 (cancelled)

Claim 10 (currently amended)

~~Use according to~~ The method of claim 9, characterized in that 13 wherein the
ginkgolide is ginkgolide A or ginkgolide B.

Claim 11 (new)

A method of alleviating withdrawal symptoms in a human for substance dependency or addiction engendering said dependency or addiction comprising administering to a human in need thereof an amount of Ginkgo biloba extract sufficient to alleviate said withdrawal symptoms.

Claim 12 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the substance is tobacco or drugs inducing toxicomania.

Claim 13 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the extract is selected from the group consisting of a ginkgolide, a pharmaceutical salt thereof, a glycosylated ginkgolide, an alkoxylated ginkgolide and an acylated ginkgolide.

Claim 14 (new)

The method of claim 11 wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract comprises 20 to 30% by weight of flavoneglycosides, 2.5 to 4.5% by weight of ginkgolides A, B, C and J, 2 to 4% by weight of bilobolide, less than 10% by weight of proanthocyanidines and less than 10 ppm of compounds of alkylphenol type.

Claim 15 (new)

The method of claim 14 wherein the Ginkgo biloba extract has less than 5 ppm of compounds of the alkylphenol type.

Claim 16 (new)

The method of claim 12 wherein the substance is tobacco.